Conference Call: Arkansas EJ Update | September 15, 2015

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- 1. Place phones on mute to reduce background noise (*6 and #6)
- 2. Identify self before speaking
- 3. Introduce EJ Team members on call

Background:

OEJTA conducted an EJ Conference Call in May 2015 with key EJ representatives from all five EPA Region 6 states. The purpose of that call was to introduce the new OEJTA Director Arturo Blanco and to provide another mechanism to discuss how we can work together to address the environmental issues in the communities in Region 6. During that call, OEJTA committed to having a region wide EJ call on a quarterly basis. And, in addition to the quarterly calls, each state would have a regular EJ Update Call as well. Like the region wide call, the purpose of state call is to share information, build relationships, and work collaboratively. The frequency of the state calls (monthly, bimonthly, or quarterly) is determined by the state EJ representatives.

Call Agenda

- 1. Roll Call and Introductions
- 2. Arkansas EJ Collaborative Action Plan
 - a. Inputs to Draft Focus Areas, Issues, and Challenges. Draft was based on workshop discussions (breakout sessions, Plus-Delta Exercise, evaluations) and current EPA environmental activities. Are there any changes and additions? Does this capture the key issues and challenges based on your knowledge and experience? Are these the areas that we want to focus on for the Arkansas plan?
 - b. Next Steps Start developing goals and key activities. Email inputs to me by next Monday, September 21, 2015. Will send out revised draft on Tuesday, September 22, 2015.
- 3. Visioning Meeting
 - a. Date: Thursday, October 1, 2015 Time: 5:30 7:45 p.m.
 - b. Location: Little Rock Public Library, Lee Room 5th Floor, 100 Rock Street, Little Rock, AR 72201 (http://www.cals.org/services/meeting-rooms.aspx)
 - c. Lee Room: Can accommodate up to 30 people. Dry erase board, fabric pinboard, AV screen, and LCD projector are available for use.
 - d. Volunteer note takers?
 - e. Parking: Free in the parking lot east of the library. Attendees can get their parking ticket validated in the library. Main Library Parking: A 1/2 off discount is available to scheduled meeting room users. After all members of the group have arrived, a group may designate one person to retrieve a "1/2 off" stamp from the Security Office in the front lobby to take back and stamp participants' tickets. Complete fees are posted at the entrance of the lot.
 - f. Point-of-Contact: Ms. Madelyn Ganos, (501) 918-3030, mganos@cals.org
- 4. Other Items of Interest: EJ Training Workshop OK (February 2-4, 2016 tentative)
- 5. Next Call Tuesday, September 29, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. CDT